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Most of the paper mail due here Saturday night went to Clifton and returned Tuesday afternoon.

Engineer Ziegler went east Tuesday morning to meet Madam Patti and take charge of her train.

The killing of Frank Cady at Deer Creek by the Indians was fully illustrated in the last Police Gazette.

Engineer Brewster had to come in with one of the old passenger engines Tuesday, as his engine was in the shop.

Col. John Brockman and Col. M. Twomey of Silver City were in the city this week and went out and took a look at the mines at Stein's Pass.

E. C. Schultz, the barber has returned from Clifton and declares that Leitendorf is good enough for him. His adv. will be found in another column.

On the first page of today's paper is the new law in regard to killing of stock on railroads. It will be of interest to both stockmen and railroads.

Red Moore, the ill-fated brakeman, fell off a box car at San Simon Wednesday and was quite seriously hurt. He was taken in to Tucson to the hospital that evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Small, R. P. Bar and H. Klassen left yesterday afternoon for Silver City on a business trip. However it is safe to say they will attend the germ at the Timmer House this evening.

Chas. E. Simpson, who has the contract for building Roberts & Leiby's new store, is rushing the work on it. He says the brick recently burned here are harder and better than any ever made in the Rio Grande valley.

Mr. Foster of New York, who is largely interested in the Standard mines at Gold Hill and the Silver City water works, is visiting with his cousin, Thos. Foster, superintendent of the Standard company, at Silver City.

Proprietor Judge Holman writes the Liberal that the patent for the Lordsburg town site arrived this week and that he is now prepared to make warranty deeds to the citizens for their lots upon receipt of the necessary cash.

Ed. Whelan, engaged in sinking a well near the machine shops of the A. & N. M. railway at Clifton, struck water at 23 feet. He has at present about two feet of water. As soon as this well is complete Mr. Whelan will transfer his operations to Guthrie, where he will sink another well for the use of the railway. -Clarion.

The county commissioners received bids Tuesday for the bonds to be issued to place the county on a cash paying basis. The bonds run thirty years and can be redeemed in ten years at the option of the county, and bear six per cent interest. The best offer made for them was by S. A. Keen & Co. the Chicago bankers which was 15 1/100 of one per cent premium for all the bonds to be issued under the law. The offer was accepted by the commissioners. The amount that will be issued has not been decided upon but it will be sufficient to take up all county warrants and the 10 per cent bonds now out.

Rev. W. H. Williams, of Silver City, formerly of Indiana, and later an active Republican in Kansas, is in the city today seeking endorsements for his appointment to a post chaplaincy in the regular army. He has a cargo of strong letters and signatures of prominent men all over the territory. The place he seeks is now held by Rev. Geo. W. Collier, who goes on the retired list August 29. Mr. Williams says inquiry at the war department in Washington develops the fact that there are over 100 applicants for this position, but he thinks his chances are as good as any of them. He has a letter from President Harrison, who he knew in other days, saying that if he comes properly endorsed the president will carefully consider his claims. Senator Plumb, of Kansas, will present his papers to the president. -New Mexican.

PAYMASTER ROBBED.

Army Paymaster Wham had an account of his money held up by two men, one of whom was Thomas Fox, on May 10th.

Last Saturday afternoon Major J. W. Wham, army paymaster, was going from Fort Grant to Fort Thomas escorted by a guard when he was held up and robbed of \$20,000.

It seems that the road about six miles from Cedar Springs winds down the side of a hill and is very narrow. When the party got to the narrowest place a big rock was found obstructing the road, which was so narrow that it was impossible to turn the ambulances in which the party was riding. The soldiers got down to try and remove the rock which they supposed had accidentally rolled there. When they had all got to the rock a volley was fired at them from up the hill. The soldiers immediately got behind a ledge of rocks and returned the fire.

The fight was a hot one for a while but the robbers were prepared for such an emergency, and some of them moved to the right and left and opened a cross fire on the soldiers. This soon got too hot for the soldiers and they had to break down the hill, and while going every one of the fifteen men was wounded except Major Wham, his clerk and a corporal.

After the men were driven down the hill the robbers came down the hill, broke open the treasure box and got away with the money, some \$20,000 mostly in coin. The robbers were seen to carry off one of their men who had been wounded.

The soldiers managed to get four mules hitched to an ambulance put the wounded men in and took them to Fort Thomas. Five of the men were seriously wounded and one has died.

As there were no Indians connected with the affair and the men hurt were not cowboys or prospectors but buffalo soldiers the whole army and a lot of Indian scouts were ordered into the field in pursuit of the robbers. The trail indicates there were from twelve to fifteen men in the party. They were followed into the Graham mountains where they separated.

A detachment of buffaloes from Fort Bayard arrived here Tuesday to see if any of the robbers were loading here.

The government has offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of each robber.

The loss of the money will fall on Major Wham unless congress reimburses him.

Sunday afternoon a well known character who goes by the name of Cyclone Bill, but whose real name is supposed to be Wm. Allison, rode into Morenci. He had time to be at the robbery and get to Morenci about the time he did. He has a reputation of being none too good to participate in such a robbery. So Deputy Sheriff Parks and Constable Smith took him in. None of the bundle was found concealed about his person, nevertheless he was taken to Solomonville and locked up on general principles. His name was too much for him.

A Better Choice Could Not Be Made. From the Optic.

The Oklahoma excitement having subsided we are now fully prepared for the rush to the new state of Sierra. "Pick" Leonard, of the Silver City Enterprise, who is full of both modesty and merit, will probably be the first governor of the new commonwealth, and our voice is hereby raised in his behalf for that position. "Pick" would fill the bill exactly and we stand ready to procure the appointment if he will only furnish the state.

How Is This?

Will Don Keane please explain what Rich Hart proposed to do with those shoes he purchased while in this city? The Enterprise tried to interview him on the subject, but he was as close as a cloister. -Enterprise.

The only explanation we can find is this which we take from another column of the same issue of the Enterprise:

"Walter Hart, of the 24 circle ranch in the Burros, and Mrs. Mitchell of Connecticut, will be married next month, after which they will take a trip in Walter's private yacht."

The rate of taxation in this county for school purposes was two and one-half mills last year. If the board of county commissioners increase the rate for this year to three mills an additional school fund of \$2,000 will be secured. No tax is more cheerfully paid than the school tax, and the additional fund of \$2,000 is badly needed. It has also been suggested that there should be a change made in the rate of apportionments of the school fund among the school districts. At present it is based solely on population, and it is said that as a consequence in some Mexican settlements the school attendance is light and out of proportion to the fund received. If the distribution of the fund were made on the basis partly of population and partly of school attendance, each neighborhood would have an incentive to bring about adult attendance. -Sentinel.

Mr. Moore, the post master at Bradshaw, Va., after reading an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, concluded to try a small bottle of it. He says: "I used it in two cases for colic and three for diarrhoea with perfect satisfaction. One dose gave relief in every case but one, that was a bad case of colic and required the second dose. I have handled a great deal of patent medicine as agent and for my own use, but never tried any that gave as good results as Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy." For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle at Eagle drug store.

MINING MATTERS.

Reports from Various Camps—Items of General Interest to Miners.

The latest quotations are: Silver 92 1/2; copper 13.00; lead 2.87 1/2.

Con. Ryan shipped a car load of ore from the American Flat and Crown Point mine to the International smelter at El Paso this week.

Master Mechanic Wallace of the Arizona & New Mexico company is writing a very interesting series of the articles for the Clifton Clarion on concentration.

A carload of machinery for the new Humboldt mill arrived Wednesday, and another car is expected every day. Superintendent Potter says he expects to have the mill running in about four weeks.

Shakespeare, and indeed, all the camps near Lordsburg, Pyramid, Leitendorf and Gold Hill have an unsavory reputation where ever known, not only among investors in their unsatisfactory properties, but among miners and mechanics, for whatever poor devil of a mechanic has the bad luck to find himself in need of work in any of those camps, has ultimately gone away from them more in need than ever.

The majority of the "enterprises" have been operated upon borrowed labor. The usual plan is to defer payments as long as possible. Pay day never comes, but some day the collapse comes, as each bubble is pricked, and the workmen go away poorer by the clothes they've worn out and the time they've lost. There's an uncovered stamp mill a monument in Shakespeare to this practice. The Humboldt Mining Company was an exception to this rule of non-payments, and it is a pity that it met with such poor luck (for it was all left to luck) in its mill. Such, however is life, especially in the "far west," where we trust to luck. Had the head of that company been a reader of the Engineering and Mining Journal, it is doubtful if he would have made any such egregious blunder.

The Engineering and Mining Journal of May 4th contains the above written by a "special correspondent" of that journal. If the correspondent wrote at long range he undoubtedly called on his imagination for facts. If he was here he was well supplied by some accomplished backslider. He never got such a statement of facts from any business man nor honest miner in this section. According to him there is but one company, the Humboldt, that makes a practice of paying its bills for labor, etc., the rest of them working on borrowed capital, running up to the limit and then leaving everybody. We are glad the correspondent admitted there was one debt paying company in this section. It is true the Humboldt company has always paid its way, but it is by no means peculiar in that. There are but two outfits in this section which have neglected to pay their men, and one of these has since paid nearly everything it owes. The mines at Pyramid and Leitendorf, both the same camp, and Shakespeare are mostly large bodies of low grade ore, and yet for years men have made a good living working these mines. If a company could not make money there it was surely not the fault of the mines but of the company. The remarks in regard to Gold Hill were especially uncalled for. There are but two companies there. The Ruby company has not been working very long, and the fact that it is working as many men as there is room for in the mine disproves of the statement as regards that company. The Standard is as solid a company as there is in the territory. Every dollar used by this company in development and building was supplied by the Foster and they have never missed a payday. A bill against that company is as good as the money in the bank. The mines owned by that company are all good ones, and that the property is well managed is shown by the bullion shipments, which are frequent as the express office books will show, and by the fact that the mines now show larger ore bodies than at any time in the history of the property, which fact the Liberal ascertained a few weeks ago by a personal inspection. We are sorry the Journal's correspondent made this uncalled for and unprovoked attack on the camps adjacent to us, and we hope the paper will correct the correspondent's mistake.

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Last night John Rooney, a packer in the employ of the government, raised a disturbance and was arrested by Constable McNichols. There was no empty box in and so the constable locked him up in a stable back of the Ownby home. Between 12 and 1 o'clock Rooney tried to break out with an iron bar he had found. McNichols saw Rooney attack at him with the bar and he shut the door on him. Rooney jugged the bar through the door and McNichols fired. The ball struck Rooney above the heart, ranged upward and through the body. Dr. Simpson dressed the wound and does not consider it necessarily fatal. Rooney is resting easily this morning.

Not a fit, but an expression of delight. "About a week ago," says a Los Angeles, Cal., druggist, "a Chinaman came in with a lame shoulder. I sold him a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and guaranteed that it would cure him. He came in again last night, as soon as he got inside the door, began to swing his arm over his head like an Indian club swinger. I thought the blamed fool had a fit, but he finally stopped long enough to say: 'Medicine yelly fine, yelly fine; all same me feel plenty good.' Chamberlain's Pain Balm, is without an equal for sprains, rheumatism, aches, pains or lame back. For sale at Eagle drug store.

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